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**TO:** Members of the Senate Administration Committee

FROM: Tom Altmaier, Volunteer Advocate, Montana Retired Educators Association

**RE: HB 315** 

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee: For the record my name is Tom Altmaier and I am a volunteer advocate for the Montana Retired Educators Association. We are a group of 1700 retired educators throughout the state. We understand the need for the additional relief this would afford to former educators.

Education is closely entwined with economic development. What better way is there to get money back into local economies? MREA urges you to pass House Bill 315.

Thank you for your time and consideration.